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Mr J Gill Chairman Co-operative Federation of Victoria Ltd R M B 1282 Langs Road BLAMPIED VIC 3364

Dear Mr Gill

## REVIEW OF THE CO-OPERATION ACT 1981 (the "Act")

Thank you for your letter of 31 May 1994 to the Premier concerning a review of the Cooperation Act 1981.

I am informed by the Office of Fair Trading and Business Affairs (the "Office") that the Minister for Fair Trading, the Hon. Jan Wade, M.L.A., has identified this Act as one of the acts in her portfolio requiring amendment and accordingly has placed it on her legislative program.

I have been advised by the Office that it was grateful to receive the comments and proposals, concerning possible amendments to the Act, provided by the Co-operative Federation of Victoria Ltd.

The Office is currently evaluating the various options and proposals with the objective of enacting both relevant and progressive legislation which will enhance the further development and growth of co-operatives in Victoria.

In the interim, should you have any further queries or suggestions for reform in respect of the Act, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Pamela Jenkins, Ministerial Adviser to the Minister for Fair Trading on (03) 602 8628.

Thank you for informing the Premier of your views.

Yours sincerely

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